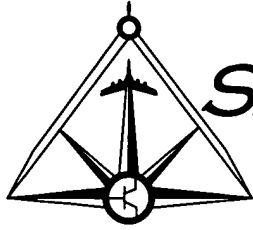


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>0420US-Engelman</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/US05/05536</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>15 February, 2005</b>	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/562944</b>
PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>15 February 2005</b>		
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>An Articulated Orthosis providing lift Assist</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Ian Engelman</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.		
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5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <div style="margin-left: 20px;">                     a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).                      b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.                      c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).                 </div>		
6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). <div style="margin-left: 20px;">                     a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.                      b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).                 </div>		
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8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).		
9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).		
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>		
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.		
14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.		
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20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <b>International Search Report and petition under rule 1.496(b)</b>		

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**Request to advance the examination of the application out of turn  
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Sir:

Applicant submits that the application filed herewith has complied with the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.496(b). The claims were amended only to eliminate multiple dependencies, and thus applicant submits that the requirements of rules 1.496(b) and 1.492 have been complied with.

Applicant therefore requests that the application be advanced out of turn for examination, as provided under Rule 1.496.

Respectfully submitted

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